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TWO -- OR THREE -- PACIFISTS ELECTED TO U. S. CONGRESS

On November 4, at least two pacifists were elected to the U. S. Congress. of them, Byron L. Johnson, is a member of the National Council of the lowship of Reconciliation. Johnson faced stiff opposition, both as a Democrat constituency that has voted Republican for twenty years and as an outspoken ifist facing a barrage of anti-pacifist charges from his opponent, John G. kie (R), a World War II infantry veteran who has expressed willingness to ke a rifle and go to Quemoy" if it would serve the nation's interests.

The other pacifist congressman-ct is William Henry Meyer, the first mont Democrat to be elected to ngress since 1852. Meyer, a Quaker, npaigned for repeal of peacetime con-iption and for recognition of Com-nist China. Both Johnson and Meyer, nough classified 4-F, were prepared take a stand as COs during World II.

In California, Democratic candidate . Rudd Brown was elected to a for-ly Republican house seat after a npaign in which, according to the ligious News Service, "she ex-ssed strongly pacifist views." ither a Quaker nor an FOR member, . Brown reportedly has been active Friends peace work.

Tough Campaign for FOR Member

The FOR was made an issue in the lorado campaign when the state Re-blican chairman issued a statement ting: "How can Johnson be quali-d to serve in Congress when,... ng a member of the FOR, he refuses participate in any war or to sanction itary preparations?"

Replying to these and other charges, nson, an active Congregationalist man, said that support for U.S. mil-y might could only buy time. "Our k in Congress is to see that the e left before a possible Armageddon not wasted. Our only real defense o fight for a just and lasting peace. "Our only choice in this atomic era,"

Congressmen-elect Byron L. Johnson

Johnson added, "is either to live together or die together."

Fellow Democrats went to bat for him. Dubbing Mackie a "trigger-happy kid," District Judge Martin Miller, a disabled veteran of World War II, said of Johnson: "Is it too much to ask of a civilized Christian community...that we elect one person dedicated to the simple proposition that he is opposed to war?"

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Pacifists Elected *(cont'd)*

Among the gathering clouds of world conflict, these surprise victories of pacifists-in-politics form a slim but gleaming ray of hope. The editors of *Fellowship* extend hearty congratulations to the new congressmen, and commend their constituents for granting an opportunity to bear witness for peace among the councils of state. When people reject the representatives of the party which is identified with the policy of brinkmanship, it is an indication that they want peace. But when they go to the polls and vote for known pacifists, that is a sign of the growing awakening to what peace really means.

Hildegarde Goss-Mayr To Visit Coast, Midwest

International FOR Traveling Secretary is touring the West Coast and Great Lakes areas during the latter part of this month, visiting Portland, Oregon; Seattle and Spokane, Wash., during the week of Nov. 17 and ranging through Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan the week after. On Nov. 30 she will speak at Delmar Baptist Church in St. Louis, whose pastor is the Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg, FOR Advisory Council member and president of the National Council of Churches. Mrs. Goss-Mayr, a Roman Catholic, has been very active in the IFOR's work in bringing together representatives of Protestantism, Catholicism and Orthodoxy from both East and West, and is telling American audiences about these talks.

Apartheid Protest Mounts in South Africa

"We don't want your pass bo We want freedom" was the sl shouted by hundreds of black wo in Johannesburg, South Africa, mounting protest against the issu of what amount to internal passp for all black people in that country.

By the end of last month, 2 women had been arrested and 133 on trial. The trial of another 300 b on Nov. 6. On several occasions, lice charged with clubs and swin handcuffs to disperse protes crowds. Tear gas was also against the demonstrators.

In the UN General Assembly, United States joined in a resolu censuring South Africa for ha broken its pledge under the UN cha by espousing segregation. In a 70- vote on the resolution, Australia, gium, France, Britain and Port voted negatively; the Dominican public, Luxemburg, the Netherla and Spain abstained.

The General Assembly also ca upon South Africa to submit the t tory of South West Africa to UN trus ship. British FOR member Mic Scott has worked tirelessly tow this goal for a dozen years (see "I Hope for South West Africa" by W fred F. Courtney, *Fellowship*, Sept 1958).

In South Africa, meanwhile the tionalist government was report preparing new indictments aga leading opponents of *apartheid*. L month, the treason trials were minated when the government withd its charges.

A continent-wide meeting is sl for next month in Accra, Ghana, discuss nonviolence in the stru against *apartheid*. According to *In Opinion*, the South African jou founded by Gandhi, more than s organizations will be represented this All-African Peoples Confere to "inspire the millions of Africa a sense of mission which is boun change the course of history on continent."

NEWS from the peace front

FOR Field Secretary Glenn E. Smiley as in Birmingham, Alabama, conrring with Negro ministers who have alled for a boycott against the city's gregated buses, as *Fellowship* went press. The boycott was announced a protest rally of over 1200 on Oct.), as a result of the jailing of 17 egroes, including six clergymen, who olated the local bus-seating ordiance.

Last month the Rev. F. L. Shuttlesorth, leader of the Alabama Christian ovement for Human Rights, was arsted with 13 others and held incomunicado for several days in the city il.

Also arrested and held incommucado were three ministers from Montomery, whose "crime" consisted in visit to Shuttlesworth's home while e latter was in jail. The U.S. Departent of Justice was reportedly inestigating this invasion of their civil ghts.

Two other ministers were arrested ith Shuttlesworth. The Rev. J.S. hifer, together with Shuttlesworth, as freed on bail pending an appeal. he Rev. A. B. Jackson, together ith twelve other people, was given a uspended sentence of 180 days.

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73.1 percent of all Federal taxes oes for the cost of national "defense" r for past wars, according to a study y the Friends Committee on National egislation. The FCNL report, issued arly this month, added that of the reaining 26.9 percent, only 2 percent oes for nonmilitary foreign aid, and nly a bare 0.1 percent for international rganizations. Thus the 2 percent UN ix proposal reported in the Nov. 1 ssue of *Fellowship* would allow Amerans to increase their support of the N by as much as twenty times.

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Dr. Heinrich Grüber, one of the Christians in the Arena" in Allan unter's book of that title (Fellowship ublications, $1.50), has resigned as representative of the Evangelical Church of Germany to the Communist East German regime. For some time, Grüber stated, he had no longer received a hearing from the authorities in East Berlin. Dr. Grüber, who was imprisoned by the Nazis for aiding Jews during the 1930s, had served as a "bridge" between the church and the Communist state for nearly nine years. No one will be appointed to replace him.

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A year-long Walk for Peace and Freedom is being planned by a Peacemakers team consisting of John Ingersoll, Richard Groff and Arthur Harvey. The group plans to leave Seattle on Jan. 6 and follow a zigzag route to the following key cities as well as others: Los Angeles (April 23), Denver (July 9), Washington (Oct. 20) Cape Canaveral, Florida (Dec. 23). Dates noted are tentative.

Listed among desirable traits for walkers are "physical ability to adjust to several thousand miles of walking" and "approval of radical pacifist practices including tax-refusal, nonregistration, civil disobedience." The group seeks a minimum of six full-time walkers, but invites everyone to join it for shorter periods. Further information may be obtained from Arthur Harvey, Box 341, Fallsington, Pa.

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FOR member Walter Gormly, who participated in the Cheyenne project of NVA, has proposed a "grass-roots"

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If You Missed the Nov 1 Issue...

Due to an error in handling the address labels, a number of copies of the 36-page bimonthly edition of Fellowship *for November 1 were missent. If you are a regular subscriber who received only the 4-page Peace Information Edition for that date, please accept our apologies and drop us a postcard requesting the 36-page edition. --The Editors*

campaign among local groups and individuals to look for missile bases being built in various parts of the country. In a three-page letter, obtainable from Gormly at 412 N. Third St. W., Mt. Vernon, Iowa, a number of courses of action are suggested, ranging from gathering information from newspaper clippings to possible direct action projects. "There are opportunities," says Gormly, "for all levels of effort."

FOR groups in most regions have already engaged in planning or carrying out protest demonstrations against missile bases, and FOR members are advised to check with local group leaders and regional secretaries to coordinate anti-missile action.

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"Now -- Between Crises -- Is the Time to Act, Mr. President!" was the heading of a 4-column open letter by James P. Warburg, published as an advertisement in the *New York Times*, Nov. 7. Calling for peace negotiations instead of "letting Moscow, Peking or Taipei dictate our action," the advertisement is a follow-up to a Sept. 25 open letter calling for citizen action in the Quemoy crisis. The earlier letter resulted in 300 phone calls and enough contributions to pay for the Nov. 7 advertisement. Copies of both open letters are obtainable from James P. Warburg, 70 East 45th St., N.Y. 17, N.Y.

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On October 25, hundreds of young people streamed into Washington, D.C., in a Youth March for Integrated Schoo
Among the national sponsors of
demonstration was the Rev. Dr. Ma
Luther King Jr., who has returned
Montgomery, Alabama, after a b
convalescence in New York follow
the stabbing reported in the Oct.
Fellowship.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 19-22. AFSC Seminar on C
Rights and Liberties. Washington, D

Dec. 6. AFSC Conference on the U
the UN and China at Charles St. Me
ing House, Boston, Write: AFSC, B
247, Cambridge 38, Mass.

Dec. 26-30. Volunteers for Pe
training program. Bainton, Muste, Fr
man, Gregg, Bigelow, Whitney *et*
at FOR Headquarters. Write: Earle
Warner, FOR, Box 271, Nyack, N.Y.

Dec. 25-31. Peacemaker Peace
Good Will Walk in Puerto Rico. Wr
Valerie Aldrich, 53 West 73 St., N.Y

Jan. 30 -- Feb. 2, 1959. Interne
Nonviolence training program. Mus
Hazzard, Lawrence, Dodson, Gre
Bigelow, Smiley *et al*, at FOR He
quarters. Write: Earle H. Warner, F
Box 271, Nyack, N.Y.

April 20-23, 1959. Church Peace M
sion Conference at First Bapt
Church, Evanston, Ill. Write: A.
Muste, Church Peace Mission, 1
Broadway, New York City.

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